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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2007, Applicants request continued examination of the application. Accordingly, please enter of the following amendments and consider the remarks below.